

### REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate limitations of previous claim 5. Claim 9 has been amended to incorporate limitations of previous claim 13. The dependencies of claims 6 and 14 have been updated.

#### Amended Claims 1 and 9

Claim 1 corresponds to previous claim 5 so is in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter.

Independent claim 9 corresponds to previous claim 13 so is in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter.

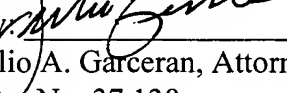
#### Dependent claims 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 12 and 14

Dependent claims 3, 4, 6 to 8 and 11, 12 and 14 each depend upon an allowable independent claim, either claim 1 or claim 9, so are allowable not least on that basis.

In view of the above, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance. In the event of any fees inadvertently omitted or any improper payment of fees, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit Lucent Technologies Deposit Account No.12-2325 to correct the error now or during the pendency of this application.

If the Examiner has any questions or feels that a telephone conversation would be helpful, please contact Julio Garceran at (908) 582-7294.

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